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Federal Opportunities

Efficacy Trials of Parenting Programs for Fathers. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)* announces funds to examine the efficacy of parenting programs for high-risk fathers, expectant fathers, or father surrogates of children age birth to 2 and/or 3 to 5 for prevention of child maltreatment and the promotion of positive parenting behaviors. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations, universities, colleges, hospitals, community- and faith-based organizations, and state and local governments. The deadline for applications is February 18, 2004. Approximately \$500,000 is available to fund 1 award. For further information, contact Gwen Cattledge at (770) 488-1430 or gxc8@cdc.gov; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/03-31083.txt>.

Child Support Enforcement's Special Improvement Project (SIP) Grants. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds for special improvement projects which further the national child support mission to ensure all children receive financial and medical support from their parents and which strengthens the ability of the nation's child support program. Eligible applicants include state and local government entities, nonprofit organizations, community- and faith-based organizations, and historically black colleges and universities. The deadline for

applications is March 3, 2004. Approximately \$1.5 million is available to fund 13 awards, ranging from \$100,000-\$200,000. For further information contact, Jean Robinson at (202) 401-5330 or jrobinson@acf.dhhs.gov; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-31375.htm>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Statewide Consumer Network Grants. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)* announces funds for applicants to develop or enhance their service system infrastructure in order to support effective substance abuse and/or mental health service delivery. The purpose of the program is to enhance state capacity and infrastructure to be consumer-centered and targeted toward recovery and resiliency and consumer-driven by promoting the use of consumers as agents of transformation. Eligible applicants include private, nonprofit entities, including faith-based entities and currently funded Statewide Consumer Network Grantees that (1) are controlled and managed by mental health consumers; (2) are dedicated to the improvement of mental health services statewide; and (3) have a Board of Directors comprised of more than 51 percent consumers. The deadline for applications is February 25, 2004. Approximately \$1.5 million will be available in FY2004 to fund approximately 20-22 awards of up to \$70,000 per year in total costs (direct and indirect), with a limit of one award per state. For further information, contact Risa Fox, SAMHSA/Center for Mental Health Services, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 11C-22, Rockville, MD 20857; (301) 443-3653; or

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rfox@samhsa.gov; or go to:
<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-31159.htm>.

This grant is subject to “Intergovernmental Review” under EO 12372.

Statewide Family Network Grants. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/ Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)* announces funds for applicants to develop or enhance their service system infrastructure in order to support effective substance abuse and/or mental health service delivery. The purpose of the program is to enhance state capacity and infrastructure to be more oriented to the needs of children and adolescents with serious emotional disturbances and their families. Eligible applicants include private, nonprofit entities, including faith-based entities and currently funded Statewide Family Networks grantees that: (1) are controlled and managed by family members; (2) are dedicated to the improvement of mental health services statewide; and (3) have a Board of Directors comprised of no less than 51 percent family members. The deadline for applications is February 27, 2004. Approximately \$2.8 million will be available to fund 43 awards in FY 2004, with a limit of one award per state. For further information, contact Elizabeth Sweet, SAMHSA/CMHS, Child, Adolescent and Family Branch, Center for Mental Health Services, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 11C-16, Rockville, MD 20857; (301) 443-1333; or esweet@samhsa.gov; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-31158.htm>. This grant is subject to “Intergovernmental Review” under EO 12372.

Water Quality Cooperative Agreement Allocation. *The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)* announces funds for unique and innovative projects that address the requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems with special emphasis on wet weather activities. Eligible applicants include state and local governments, universities, and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is February 17, 2004. Approximately \$3.5 million is available to fund awards ranging from \$10,000-\$500,000. For further information, contact Barry Benroth at (202) 564-0672 or benroth.barry@epa.gov; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-31158.htm>.

800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-31236.htm.

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District Opportunities

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia’s grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtml for the following notices:

The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates, due December 26, 2003.

The DC Commission on National and Community Service, K-12 Learn and Serve – Community-Based Grants, due January 5, 2004.

The DC Commission on National and Community Service, K-12 Learn and Serve – School-Based Grants, due January 5, 2004.

The DC Commission on National and Community Service, AmeriCorps Grants, due January 5, 2004, at 5pm.

The Mayor’s Office on Latino Affairs (OLA), FY 2004 Latino Community Education Grant Program (LCEG), January 15, 2004, at 5 pm.

Foundation Opportunities

Housing. *The Wells Fargo Housing Foundation (WFHF)* focuses on increasing low-income homeownership through the development of affordable housing, and providing shelter and supportive services for homeless and disabled adult populations. Eligible applicants include nonprofit housing organizations with at least two complete audit cycles. The deadlines for applications are February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1 each year. For further information, contact WFHF at (612) 667-2146; or go to: <http://www.wellsfargo.com/about/wfhf/programs.jhtml>.

Job Skills. *Staples Foundation for Learning* provides funding to programs that support or provide job skills and/or education for all people, with a

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special emphasis on disadvantaged youth. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadlines for applications are January 5 and April 2, 2004. Mail completed grant application package to: Staples Foundation for Learning, 500 Staples Dr., 4 West, Framingham, MA 01702. For further information, contact the foundation at: foundationinfo@staples.com; or go to: www.staplesfoundation.org.

Music Education. *The Mockingbird Foundation, Inc. (MFI)*, an organization that generates charitable proceeds from fans of the band Phish, offers competitive grants to organizations with a programmatic focus on music education for children. While MFI seeks to fund projects that encourage and foster creative expression in any musical form, it also recognizes broader and more basic needs within conventional instruction. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations with tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code, or organizations that have a sponsoring agency with 501(c)(3) status. Public schools are also eligible for funding. The deadline for Letters of Inquiry is February 1, 2004. Grants of up to \$5,000 are made on a one-time basis. For complete funding guidelines, see <http://www.mockingbirdfoundation.org/funding/>. All questions should be directed to Kristen Godard at grants@mockingbirdfoundation.org.

Resources & Announcements

Community Development Tool. *The Management Information Exchange (MiX)*, a website dedicated to energizing and growing the management expertise of leaders in community development, offers community-based organizations (CBOs) and their staffs a free source of management information. The website, using information drawn from the management practices of successful CBOs and from the private and nonprofit sectors, addresses such challenges as motivating people, managing change, communicating for results, working with boards of directors, and developing high performance management systems. For further information, go to: <http://www.lcmmix.org/aboutmix.cfm>.

Federal Grants. *Grants.gov*, the new online clearinghouse of Federal government-wide grant opportunities, was officially unveiled on December 9,

2003. For more information about Grants.gov, go to <http://www.grants.gov>. For more information on the President's E-Gov Initiative, go to: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb.egov>.

Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC).

The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The GIRC provides technical assistance that connects DC Government agencies, nonprofit and faith-based organizations to information about resources that improve community services in the city. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. **Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.**

Individual Donors. *The Foundation Center* will present a training class on Prospect Research Basics: Researching Individual Donors. This class will focus on how to identify and conduct research on individuals who are capable of and may be interested in giving a substantial gift to your organization. Free websites with information on prospective donors will be explored, as well. The session will take place on Wednesday, January 7, 9-10 am, at the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, Third Floor, Washington, DC. There is no fee, but space is limited and advance registration is required. To register, call (202) 331-1400 or go to: <http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/prbdc.html>.

Spam Legislation. *TechSoup*, an online technology resource for nonprofits, recently posted an article regarding spam legislation and its impact on organizations' e-mail lists. According to the article, this November, Congress passed federal anti-spam legislation known as CAN-SPAM (Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act). If enacted into law, it would allow the FTC to establish a "do not spam" registry and imposes an

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"opt-out" standard. If your organization has an e-mail list, don't miss this article at:

<http://ga0.org/ct/W71gyP71rjMT/>

Strengthening Institutions Programs (SIP). *The Department of Education (DOED) /Office of Post-secondary Education (OPE)* invites applications for designation as Eligible Institutions for FY04. Institutions of higher education are eligible to apply for grants if they meet specific statutory and regulatory eligibility requirements. To become eligible, institutions must satisfy several criteria, including one related to needy student enrollment and one related to average Educational and General (E&G) expenditures for a particular base year. Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education. The deadline for eligibility applications is January 20, 2004. For further information, contact Ellen M. Sealey at (202) 502-7580 or Carlos Reeder at (202) 502-7592; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/03-30432.txt>.

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